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were holding it hostage.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: When I was holding it hostage? (Laugh) Senator Brashear, I don't have a gun to the head of this bill. This is the first time I really knew what the underlying bill was, and I will support this bill. Thank you. And thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Further discussion on the advancement of LB 647A? Seeing none, you've heard the motion by Senator Flood to advance to E & R for engrossing. All in favor say aye. Opposed, nay. LB 647A is advanced. Mr. Clerk, items for the record, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, I do. Amendment to LB 1060 from Senator Smith, to be printed. New resolution: LR 305, by Senator Cunningham. And your Committee on Retirement Systems reports LB 710 to General File with committee amendments; as well as LB 1022 as indefinitely postponed. (Legislative Journal pages 1012-1013.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. That completes Select File. We now go to General File, 2006 senator priority bills, the Price division. Mr. Clerk, LB 1069.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, LB 1069, introduced by Senator Byars. (Read title.) The bill was read for the first time on January 12 of this year, referred to the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee. That committee reports the bill to General File with committee amendments attached. (AM2307, Legislative Journal page 675.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Byars, to open on LB 1069.

SENATOR BYARS: Thank you, Mr. President. It gives me a good deal of satisfaction to bring LB 1069 to you. And I think a bill you'll also hear from the Chairman of the Transportation Committee is one that all of us have felt is not only necessary, but is very fiscally responsible, as it will save the state's General Funds a substantial amount of money, in addition to